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MARYSVILLE CRIPS GANG MEMBER CONVICTED
OF METHAMPHETAMINE TRAFFICKING
AND BEING A FELON IN POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that PHILLIP DAVIS JR., 24, of Marysville, California pled guilty today before Senior United States District Court Judge Edward Garcia to methamphetamine trafficking and being a felon in possession of a live ammunition.

This case is the product of extensive investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and its Safe Streets Task Force, comprised of the Yuba County Sheriff's Department, Marysville Police Department, Yuba City Police Department, and other state and local law enforcement in and around Yuba and Sutter Counties, California.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Michelle Rodriguez, who is prosecuting the case, at about 12 am in the morning of May 13, 2007, a deputy with the Yuba County Sheriff's Department was on patrol in a fully marked police car when he encountered DAVIS and a female in a car in a dark alley on Riverside Drive in Marysville. During a routine check by the officer, on DAVIS' person the officer found a digital scale and user quantity packages (2.8 grams total) of methamphetamine. DAVIS' ammunition (in a loaded gun) was also found in the car. Court records indicate that DAVIS admitted to the officer that, since age 8, he has been a member of the CRIPS street gang. At the time of his arrest, DAVIS was on parole. Earlier, on March 21, 2002, DAVIS suffered a felony drug trafficking conviction in Yuba County for unlawful transportation and sales of a controlled substance.

In federal court today, DAVIS was remanded after entry of his guilty plea. His sentencing is scheduled for October 19, 2007. DAVIS faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison for the drug trafficking offense and a maximum of 10 years in prison for the ammunition possession offense. DAVIS also faces a possible \$2,250,000 fine, and a three-year term of supervised release. However, the actual sentence will be determined at the discretion of the court after consideration of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of variables, and any applicable statutory sentencing factors.

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